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KC MAN INDICTED FOR NARCOTICS, FIREARMS VIOLATIONS

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Kansas City, Mo., man was indicted by a federal grand jury today for participating in a conspiracy to distribute crack cocaine and being a felon in possession of ammunition.

Durone L. Farmer, 30, of Kansas City, was charged in a four-count indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Kansas City.

Count One of the federal indictment alleges that **Farmer** participated in a conspiracy to distribute more than 50 grams of crack cocaine between Jan. 1, 2001, and June 22, 2004.

Count Two of the federal indictment alleges that **Farmer** was in possession with intent to distribute more than 50 grams of crack cocaine on June 22, 2004.

Count Three of the federal indictment alleges that **Farmer** was in possession of ammunition on June 22, 2004. According to the indictment, **Farmer** was in possession of 37 live rounds of Wolfe performance ammunition caliber 7.62 x 39 mm, 22 rounds of Zapper high velocity .22-caliber long rifle ammunition, 20 live rounds of PMC center fire pistol ammunition, six 12-gauge shotgun shells, and five live rounds of .32-caliber ammunition. Under federal law, Graves explained, it is illegal for anyone who has been convicted of a felony to be in possession of any firearm or ammunition. **Farmer** has a 2001 criminal felony conviction for driving while revoked in Jackson County, Mo., a 1996 criminal felony conviction for trafficking in Jackson County, a 1996 criminal felony conviction for possession of a controlled substance in Jackson County, a 1992 criminal felony conviction for stealing in Jackson County, and a 1992 criminal felony conviction for carrying a concealed weapon in Jackson County.

Count Four of the federal indictment is a forfeiture count, which would require **Farmer** to forfeit to the government any property obtained as a result of the alleged violations, including

\$24,986 seized on June 22, 2004, from **Farmer's** residence.

Graves cautioned that the charges contained in the indictment are simply accusations, and not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charges must be presented to a federal trial jury, whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Kathleen D. Mahoney. It was investigated by the Kansas City, Mo., Police Department.

This news release, as well as additional information about the office of the United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, is available on-line at
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